

Ages 1-2
7.20.25

Saul Did Not Listen to God

VERSE

Do what God says.
-Deuteronomy 5:32

LISTEN and Freeze

Tell your child the Bible story. Say that Saul did not listen to God. Explain to your child that you will play a game where she must use her ears to listen. Tell your child to listen for the music to play. Say that while it plays, dance around. Tell her she is to “freeze” in place when you stop the music. Play and stop the music several times. Say: “Do what God says. Deuteronomy 5:32.”

BABIES

FIND the SOUND

Wind up one of your infant’s musical toys and partially hide it where she is playing. Encourage her to listen. Can she find where the sound is coming from? Give clues, if needed, to help her discover the toy. Gently touch her ear. Say: “God made us. He gave us ears to hear. He wants us to do what He says.” Say that the Bible helps us know what God wants us to do. Tell the Bible story (reverse side).

DECORATE a Sign

Ask your child: “What are rules?” Explain that rules are statements that help us know what to do. Say that God made rules, or ways He wants us to live. Write several positive family rules on a paper: *Be kind. / Obey Mommy and Daddy. / Love God.* Invite your child to decorate the paper with crayons and stickers. Tell the Bible story (reverse side). Say as your child decorates: “Do what God says. Deuteronomy 5:32.”

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BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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CONVERSATION

Saul Did Not Listen to God

BASED ON 1 SAMUEL 13:1-14

WEEKLY VERSE: Do what God says.
Deuteronomy 5:32

LIFE POINT: God wants people to do what He says.



BABIES

While Saul was king, he chose to disobey God.
God was not happy.
Samuel let Saul know that God would choose a new king.

1s

Saul was king for many years. One day, Saul chose to disobey God's rules.

Samuel came to Saul. Samuel told Saul that God was not happy with him.

Samuel said that God chose a new king because Saul disobeyed God.

2s

Saul was the king for many years.

Saul blew a horn and led many troops into battles.

One time before going into battle, Saul waited for Samuel to come. Samuel did not come as fast as Saul wanted. Saul did Samuel's job.

Samuel came. Samuel told Saul that because he chose not to obey God, God chose a new king.

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

The Bible story teaches that God wants people to do what He says. Saul did not listen to God. He disobeyed God. The result was God taking the kingdom away from Saul.

LIVE IT OUT

Write *OBEY* on a paper. Read aloud the word and explain what it means. Say that Saul did not obey God. Let your child trace around each letter with different colors of crayons. Spell and say the word together as he works.

LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God made me.

DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: Ecclesiastes 12:14

Monday: Romans 6:23

Tuesday: 1 Samuel 15:23

Wednesday: Proverbs 29:15

Thursday: 2 Peter 2:4

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Saturday: 1 Samuel 12:15

Ages 3-K
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Deuter-
onomy
5:32

FIND the SOLDIERS



CIRCLE FIVE Israelite
SOLDIERS hiding in the cave.



Some of King Saul's
soldiers were afraid
and hid in caves, in
holes, and among
some rocks.



What Does NOT BELONG?

Put an X over the things that do not belong in a cave.

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Saul was king of Israel for many years.

As king, Saul had an army. One day, Saul took his soldiers to fight the Philistines. But the Philistines had more soldiers, more chariots, and more horses. The Israelites were afraid, and some of them hid in caves, in holes, and among the rocks.

King Saul was not sure what to do. He wanted to make an offering to ask God for help, but only Samuel was supposed to make an offering to God. Saul waited seven days for Samuel, but Samuel did not come. Saul chose not to obey God and made the offering himself.

Then Samuel came. "Saul, what have you done?" Samuel asked.

"You were not here, and the army started to leave. I asked God for help to fight the Philistines," Saul said.

"You have not obeyed God by making the offering yourself. You won't be king for very long," Samuel said. "God is going to find someone else to be king, someone who obeys Him."



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God tells me to do what He says.

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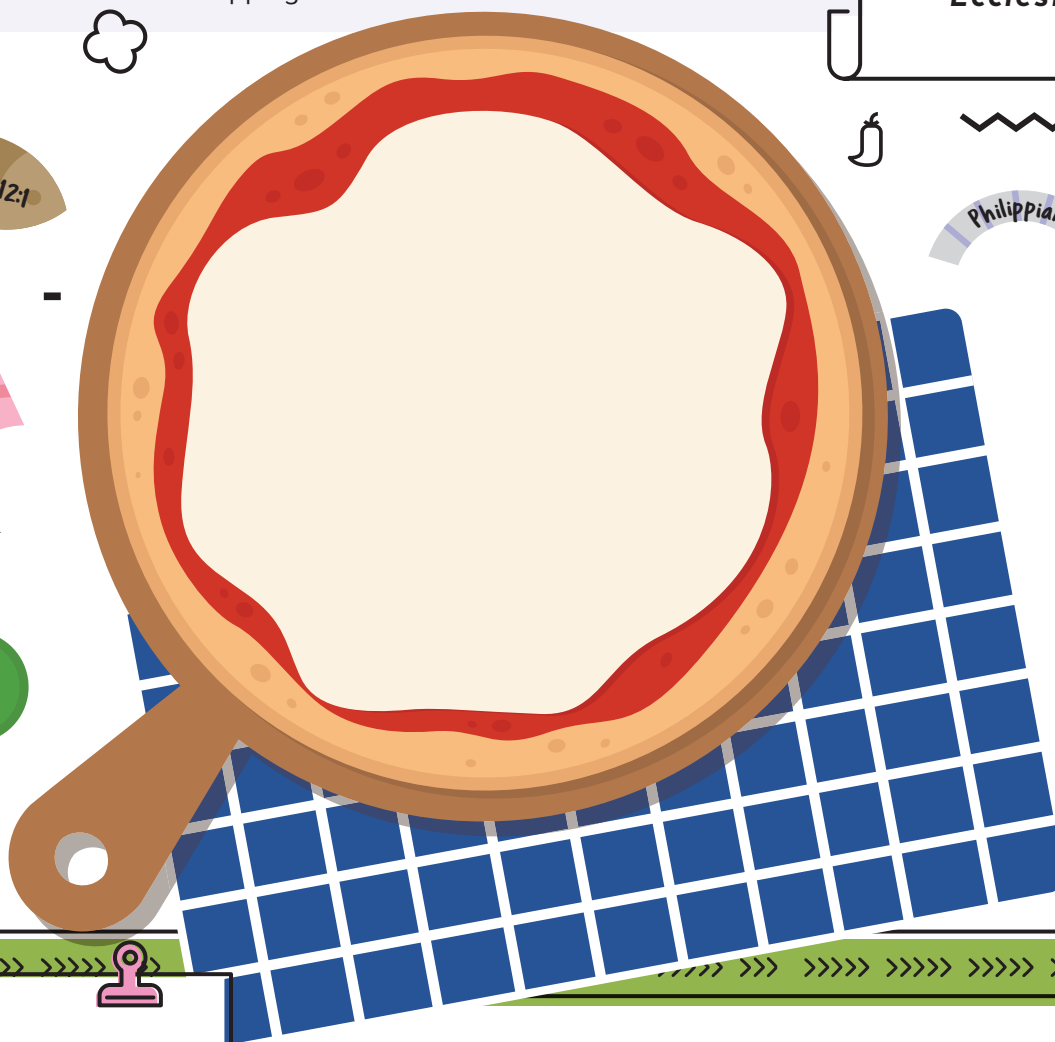
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Obeying OPTIONS

Choose your favorite toppings to add to the pizza! Look up the verses on those toppings to see what the Bible says about obeying God. Then draw the toppings on the pizza! Share your pizza topping verses with a friend and check out theirs!

God will judge us for everything we do, including every secret thing, whether good or bad.
-Ecclesiastes 12:14



Choosing to Obey

Being obedient isn't always easy! Can you think of a time you had to choose to obey or do something else? Read each choice and circle the right thing to do.



Wash the dishes when my parents ask me.

OR

Pretend I didn't hear them ask me to do the dishes.

Help my siblings rake leaves like my family asked.

OR

Make them do it by themselves.



Love my friend like God asks by being kind.

OR

Be unloving and mean to my friend.

Look at my own test paper like my teacher asked.

OR

Cheat off someone else's test.



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CONVERSATION

Saul Disobeyed God

1 SAMUEL 13:1-15; 14:47-15:35

King Saul led a mighty army as he defended Israel from the Philistines. During one battle, the Israelites realized that the Philistine army was much bigger and stronger than they were. The Israelites began to worry and became very afraid. They hid in caves and thickets, among rocks, and in pits and cisterns.

Saul knew that he needed God's blessing for his battles to be successful. Saul became very impatient as he waited for Samuel to come and present the offerings to God so that Saul and his army would be successful.

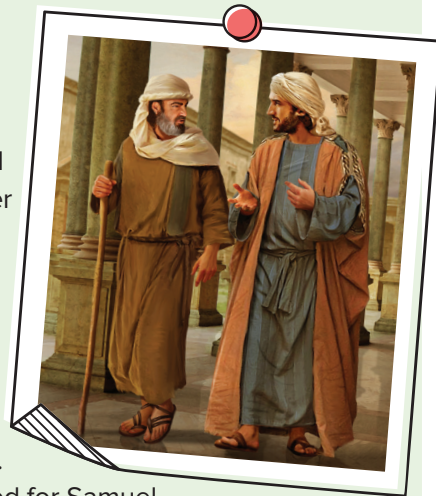
After waiting for seven days for Samuel to arrive, Saul disobeyed God and presented the offerings that only Samuel was allowed to present. When Samuel arrived, he told Saul how foolish he had been! Because Saul had not kept God's command, God would take the kingdom away from Saul and give it to a man who had a heart for obeying God.

Before God replaced Saul, Samuel told Saul to do something else for God. The Amalekites had harmed the Israelites, God's people, so God gave instructions on how to carry out the punishment on the Amalekites.

Saul once again disobeyed God and did what he thought was right instead of what God had commanded. When Samuel spoke to Saul about his disobedience, Samuel explained that God values obedience more than sacrifice. God wants people to obey Him.

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: Ecclesiastes 12:14

LIFE POINT: God expects obedience and will act when people disobey.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

The Bible story taught your child that God expects obedience and will act when people disobey. Saul did not follow God's commands concerning a battle against Israel's enemy. God took the kingdom from Saul and chose a new king.

LIVE IT OUT

Remind your child that God holds people responsible for their choices. Even though God offers forgiveness for sins, people must live with the consequences of their sins. Find and read Exodus 20:3-17. Pray, asking God to forgive the sins your family has committed this week.

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God deserves respect, obedience, and honor.

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6 2 Chronicles 20:6	7 Ephesians 1:20	8 Matthew 16:19	9 2 Samuel 22:33	10 Jeremiah 10:12	11 Hebrews 1:3	12 Revelation 11:17
13 Romans 13:1	14 Hebrews 13:17	15 Proverbs 24:21	16 1 Timothy 2:2	17 Titus 3:1	18 Romans 13:6	19 1 Thessalonians 5:12
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BIBLE READING PLAN

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